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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT (37 C.F.R. §1.97(c))

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Dear Sir:

With regard to the above-identified application, the items of information listed on the enclosed Form 1449 are brought to the attention of the Examiner.

This statement should be considered because it is submitted before the mailing date of a first Office Action on-the-merits. Accordingly, no fee is due for consideration of the items listed on the enclosed Form 1449.

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.98(a)(2), a copy of the document or other information listed on the enclosed Form 1449 is provided.

The subsequent information contained in this Information Disclosure Statement is hereby brought to the attention of the Examiner for consideration.

At least some of the features disclosed in the patent application identified above (hereinafter "the Application") may have been included in a beta release of Microsoft Office software, which occurred in October 2002. Therefore, it is possible some of the system code

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incorporating the described implementations was disclosed to a controlled set of users more than one year before the filing date of the Application. This beta release of the Office software, which was conducted for testing purposes, included approximately five thousand users. It is significant to note that the beta release was distributed to a fixed number of users, and each user acknowledged a Microsoft non-disclosure agreement. The non-disclosure agreement included the following clause:

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Since the beta release was distributed to a fixed number of users that acknowledged the above confidentiality clause, Applicants believe submission of the claims in the Application is proper.

No representation is made that a reference is "prior art" within the meaning of 35 U.S.C. §§ 102 and 103 and Applicants reserve the right, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.131 or otherwise, to

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establish that the reference(s) are not "prior art." Moreover, Applicants do not represent that a reference has been thoroughly reviewed or that any relevance of any portion of a reference is intended.

Consideration of the items listed is respectfully requested. Pursuant to the provisions of M.P.E.P. 609, it is requested that the Examiner return a copy of the attached Form 1449, marked as being considered and initialed by the Examiner, to the undersigned with the next official communication.

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Respectfully submitted,

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